

Half Year Report to The Eagle Foundation On Nyagihamba Primary School Infrastructure project

Reference: FF483

In June 2019, The Eagle Foundation generously granted FH UK the sum of GBP41,874 to upgrade infrastructure at Nyagihamba Primary school, Kamonyi District, Southern Province, Rwanda. The grant was given for the following activities:

- 1) Four new classrooms
- 2) Six pit latrines
- 3) One hand washing facility
- 4) One 1,000 litre water tank
- 5) WASH training for PTA

As detailed in the contract of acceptance, this report serves as a brief report on progress to date, with a final narrative and financial report due at the end of the project.

Summary of progress to date

- 1) Work commenced in early September 2019. The local community in Nyagihamba were recruited to help prepare the ground to construct the classrooms and latrines. This was successfully achieved, with the added advantage of securing community ownership and responsibility for the project. It is estimated the community contributed Rwf 120,000 (£100) in labour costs.
- 2) Four new classrooms have now been constructed as seen in the pictures below. It is anticipated that children should be able to use the classrooms after the Christmas holidays.



3) Six pit latrines have been completed, as seen in the pictures below. Two blocks of three latrines each, one for boys and one for girls have been constructed. The pit latrines have doors for privacy.





4) The hand washing facility has been completed, as seen in the picture below. This hand washing facility has three taps on either side, totalling six taps. Children will be encouraged to wash their hands after using the latrines, and before lunch. WASH training activities will ensure these sanitation and health messages are properly delivered to students.



5) The water tank has been procured, but not fitted yet. It will be fitted in the next few weeks.



Challenges to implementation

Two challenges have arisen during project implementation, both of which are still in the process of being reviewed and sorted by project engineers.

- 1) Nyagihamba Primary School occupies relatively rocky ground. When it came to constructing the four new classrooms, it was realised that a support wall was needed for one wall to ensure classroom longevity. An engineer is currently reviewing the situation and will report back to field staff in due course.
- 2) When the latrines were constructed, an underground water source was found. Engineers overseeing the project protected the pit and found a way to deviate the water away from the pit latrines. The challenge now relates to channelling the deviated water so it doesn't interfere with any other buildings on or around the school premises. The engineer is confident that he can safely channel and deviate the water away from the latrine sites.

Activities still to take place

- 1) Final completion of the aforementioned activities
- 2) Water, sanitation and health (WASH) training activities for Nyagihamba Primary PTA

Food for the Hungry UK looks forward to sending a further narrative and financial report to The Eagle Foundation, at the end of this project.

Thank you for your support to this project.